

Dis 13 Estimation

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Agenda

1. Inference overview: hypothesis testing vs estimation
2. Finding MMSE, LLSE (and QLSE)
3. Geometric interpretation and definition of LLSE (projection property)
4. Questions + JG RVs recap

$y \xrightarrow{\text{obs}} X$
ground truth / cause
inference fn

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	$X \leftarrow$ (binary) $\in \{0, 1\}$ discrete	Quality of 'inference function'	Example
Hypothesis testing ✓		Neyman Pearson formulation	Symptoms \rightarrow Cancer / No Cancer
Estimation ✓	$\hat{x} \leftarrow R$	For 126, we look at MSE (mean squared error)	GPS coordinates from satellite \rightarrow real position

Definition of MMSE/ LLSE / QLSE

$$Y \rightarrow X$$

$$\hat{x}(\cdot) \leftarrow \text{lower MSE } E[(\hat{x}(y) - x)^2]$$

could have other 'loss' functions
'u'
 $E[|X(y) - x|]$

$$\text{MMSE}[X|Y] = \text{is fn min. MSE}$$

$$R = E[X|Y] \leftarrow (\text{HU})$$

$$L[X|Y] = \text{is linear fn min MSE} \leftarrow$$

$$(\equiv a + bY)$$

$$Q[X|Y] = \text{quad fn " " } \leftarrow$$

$$(\equiv a + bY + cY^2)$$

Q: When is $LSE[X|Y] = \text{MMSE}[X|Y]$? \leftarrow when $E[X|Y]$ is linear

$$\text{if } E[\Delta Y] = 0$$

$$\text{if } E[\Delta Z] = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } & E[X - L(X|Y) - L(X|Z)] \\ &= E[X] - E[L(X|Y)] - E[L(X|Z)] \\ &= 0 - 0 - 0 \end{aligned}$$

↑ sum diff of $L(X|Y)$
& $\therefore E[C] = 0$

indep \Rightarrow uncorrelated
 \Downarrow
uncorr / ortho

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii) } & E[(X - L(X|Y) - L(X|Z)) Y] \\ &= E[(X - L(X|Y)) Y] - E[L(X|Z) Y] \\ &= 0 - 0 \end{aligned}$$

↑ linear func of Z & Y & Z are uncorrelated \Leftrightarrow $E[YZ] = 0$

$$L(X|Z) = a + bZ$$

$$\langle Z, Y \rangle = 0$$

$$E((a+bZ)Y)$$

$$= E(aY) + bE(ZY) = 0$$

& Y is zero mean
i.e. Y & Z are uncorrelated
 $\Rightarrow Y$ is uncorr w/
 $\text{span}(Z, I)$

$\Rightarrow 0$ inner prod

3. Basic Properties of Jointly Gaussian Random Variables

Let $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be a collection (or vector) of jointly Gaussian random variables. This means that their joint density is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n \det(\Sigma)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x - \mu)\right),$$

for $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ where $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the mean vector and $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is the covariance matrix.

- (a) Show that X_1, \dots, X_n are independent if and only if they are pairwise uncorrelated. In your proof, you can assume WLOG that all X_i are zero-mean to make the notation simpler.
- (b) Show that any linear combination of X_1, \dots, X_n will also be a Gaussian random variable. i.e. show that $Y = a^T X$ is normally distributed for all $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Hint: You can use the fact that the MGF of a jointly Gaussian random vector X is $M_X(t) = \exp(t^T \mu + \frac{1}{2} t^T \Sigma t)$, for $t \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Linear Estimation:

$$\boxed{L[x|Y] := \arg \min_{\text{linear } f} E[(X - f(Y))^2]} \quad \text{after solving for } a, b; \quad \xrightarrow{\text{def}} L(x|y) \text{ w.r.t. } s.$$

where linear estimators $\hat{X}(Y)$ of X form:

$$\hat{X}(Y) = a + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i Y_i, \quad a, b_1, \dots, b_n \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Q: how to solve for $L[x|Y]$?

First approach:

$$\underset{a, b_1, \dots, b_n}{\text{minimize}} \quad E[(X - (a + \sum_i b_i Y_i))^2]$$

calculus approach:

$$J(a, b_1, \dots, b_n) := E[(X - (a + \sum_i b_i Y_i))^2]$$

$$= E[X^2] - 2aE[X]$$

$$\frac{\partial J(a, b_1, \dots, b_n)}{\partial a} = 0 \quad -2 \sum_i b_i E[Y_i] \\ + a^2 + 2a \sum_i b_i E[Y_i]$$

$$\frac{\partial J(a, b_1, \dots, b_n)}{\partial b_i} = 0 \quad + \sum_i b_i^2 E[Y_i^2] \\ + \sum_i b_i b_i E[\hat{f}_i(Y_i)]$$

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